SMD2 Interactive Market Trials

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Definitions

- FAT (Factory Acceptance Test) Acceptance testing of purchased SMD2 components.
- Market Trials the overall SMD2 integrated test process.
- Interactive Market Trials Market Participant exercises.
 - Sandbox exercises Interaction with the MIS and OASIS.
 - Virtual Market exercises Market exercises designed to simulate an SMD2 production environment.



Review

Original plan (April deployment)

- 1 week for MIS sandbox exercises
- 3 weeks for virtual market exercises
- November SMD2 Tech Conference revealed concerns with Market Trials schedule.
- Market Participants indicated that 3 4 times the amount of time allotted for Interactive Market Trials exercises would be needed for adequate testing, remediation, and retesting.



- The revised schedule provides almost 4 months of Interactive Market Trials exercises.
 - 6 weeks for MIS Sandbox exercises
 - 9 weeks for virtual SMD2 Market exercises



Upload / Download Sandbox exercises

- Provide access to the SMD2 MIS environment for upload / download testing
- Exercises begin in mid-April
- Facility available M/W/F 10AM 3PM
- Facility will be available for 6 consecutive weeks
- Results will be simulated the markets will not run in this exercise
- Upload / download file format review currently underway



MIS web-based Sandbox exercises

- SMD2 MIS web screen access
- SMD2 OASIS access
- Exercises begin in mid-May
- Facility available M/W/F 10AM 3PM
- Facility will be available for 4 consecutive weeks
- Results will be simulated the markets will not run in this exercise



Virtual DAM exercises

- NYISO will publish forecast and network conditions for simulated market day
- Market post and close times will be skewed for exercises
- Run 1 or 2 exercises per week
- NYISO will host scheduled review (Q&A) sessions
- Exercises will begin in mid-June
- Exercises will run for 3 consecutive weeks



Virtual DAM/RT two-settlement exercises

- Run and post DAM
- Run 24-hour virtual RT Market using simulated dynamic system performance data
- Post RTS results
- Issue bills
- Run 1 exercise per week
- NYISO will host regular review (Q&A) sessions
- Exercises begin in early July
- Exercises will run for 6 consecutive weeks
- Schedule will be subject to power system conditions



SMD2 User Training

SMD2 User Training will begin in early May.

- Training designed for proficient user's
- One day course on SMD2 bidding and market concepts.
- ½ day B&A Workshop scheduled for May 18th.



Virtual Market Results

- Virtual market exercise results may not be consistent with expectations due to the level of participation in each exercise, and the nature of the bids and offers submitted.
- It is important to note that the Market Trials are a test of the systems and processes, and not a market simulation exercise. Market Participants are encouraged to submit bids that are consistent with the exercise system and forecast conditions.



Virtual Market Results

- Market participants will be involved with SMD2 market performance testing via a panel of sector representatives.
- Sector representatives will assist in defining SMD2 market test scenarios and review test results with NYISO staff.
- Confidentiality will be observed.

